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SUBJECT: ICNAF SPECIAL MEETING

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1. ICNAF MEETING CONCLUDED SUCCESSFULLY. IN BILATERAL DISCUSSIONS PRIOR TO MEETING AND ACTIONS IN MEETING ITSELF, DELS GENERALLY SHOWED HIGH DEGREE OF COOPERATION AND AWARENESS OF SERIOUSNESS OF MATTER.

2. AGREEMENT REACHED ON HADDOCK SATISFACTORY TO US WHICH SHOULD NOT AFFECT MOST FLEETS DUE NATURE THEIR OPERATION. AGREEMENT REACHED ON REDUCING HERRING QUOTAS IN GULF OF MAINE EFFECTING ONLY GDR AND FRG MARGINALLY, BUT NOT ON GEORGES BANK STOCK WHICH IS IMPORTANT TO MANY DISTANT WATER FLEETS. IT IS CLEAR THAT REDUCTION IN LATTER WILL BE NECESSARY AT 1975 ANNUAL MEETING, AND THIS WILL BE DIFFICULT ISSUE. AGREEMENT REACHED ON PROTECTING YELLOWTAIL FLOUNDER BY EXTENDING AREA CLOSED TO BOTTOM FISHING OFF US COAST FROM MAINE TO DELAWARE BAY TO ENTIRE YEAR AND ACCELERATING ELIMINATION SMALL SIDE TRAWLERS FROM END 1976 TO END 1974. THIS SHOULD NOT POSE ANY REAL DIFFICULTY SINCE THOSE WHO USE THEM RAPIDLY PHASING OUT SUCH F/VS. ALTHOUGH

NO SPECIFIC REGULATIONS ON ENFORCEMENT ADOPTED, TWO RESOLUTIONS WERE ADOPTED LOOKING TO SUBSTANTIAL IMPROVEMENTS IN ENFORCEMENT SYSTEM AND IT CLEAR TO ALL INVOLVED THAT AGREED MEASURES MUST BE STRICTLY ADHERED TO. THIS UNDERSTANDING MORE IMPORTANT TO US AT THIS TIME THAN ADOPTION SPECIFIC MEASURES.

2. CANADIAN, UK, GDR, AND POLISH DELS MOST COOPERATIVE. SOVIET, FRG, SPANISH, JAPANESE DELS POSED DIFFICULTIES BUT CLEARLY UNDERSTOOD SERIOUSNESS OF MATTER AND WORKED AT SOLUTIONS. ROMANIAN REP PRIVATELY INDICATED COOPERATION BUT GENERALLY SILENT. ITALIAN REP TRIED TO COOPERATE BUT POSED PROBLEMS AT TIMES DUE TO LACK FAMILIARITY. DANISH REP TOOK IT ALL IN. CAPT CARDOZA (PORTUGAL) WHO NOT DIRECTLY AFFECTED TOOK AN ACTIVE PART AND IN HIS OWN INIMITABLE FASHION POSED PROBLEMS BUT COOPERATED IN END. BULGARIA, FRANCE, ICELAND, AND NORWAY NOT PRESENT. CUBAN OBSERVERS POSED UNIQUE SECURITY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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PROBLEM IN MIAMI AND AGAIN INDICATED INTENTION COMMENCE LARGE-SCALE FISHERY OFF US COAST.

3. DEPT REPORTED ON MTG MOST FAVORABLY TO SENATE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE AND OTHER MEMBERS CONGRESS CONCERNED WITH 200 MILE LEGISLATION. NEVERTHELESS, ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE VOTED FAVORABLEY 8-6 ON BILL AS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED. VOTE COMES SHORTLY.

4. DEPT APPRECIATES EMBASSY EFFORTS IN RESPONSE REF (A)
TO ENSURE SUCCESSFUL MEETING AND PROVIDE FURTHER AMMUNI-
TION IN OUR STRUGGLE TO DEFEAT 200 MILE LEGISLATION. INGERSOLL

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